

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Wednesday, September 14, 2005

10:30 a.m.

307 House Office Building

Representative Brian Palmer, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Gosselin, Meyer, Hoogendyk, Vander Veen, Wenke, Ball, Elsenheimer, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Lemmons, III, Virgil Smith, Kehrl and Clack.

Representative Pearce moved to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2005 meeting.

Representative Proos supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4278 before the committee.

HB 4278 Gosselin Education; graduation requirements; community service as a condition of graduation; prohibit.

Representative Mortimer moved to adopt substitute (H-4) to HB 4278.

Representative Kehrl supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 13-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Gosselin, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Hopgood, Angerer, Lemmons, III, Kehrl and Clack,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Gosselin testified in support of HB 4278. Questions and discussion followed.

Nancy Stanley, representing the Macomb Intermediate School District, submitted a card in opposition to HB 4278, but did not wish to speak.

Don Olendorf, representing Michigan Small and Rural Schools, submitted a card in opposition to HB 4278, but did not wish to speak.

Bob Morris, representing the Michigan Department of Education, testified and indicated a

neutral position at this time.

Don Wotruba, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards, testified in opposition to HB 4278.

Jim Ballard, representing the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals, testified in opposition to HB 4278.

The Chair announced that the committee would take further action on HB 4278 at a future date.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 12:00 p.m.

Representative Brian Palmer, Chair

Ben Cook
Committee Clerk
September 14, 2005
1 hour 30 minutes

Date Approved and Signed